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ONION CULTIVATION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

he steps being taken by the Government to encourage onion cultivation in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

For enhancing horticulture production including onion, two Centrally Sponsored Schemes namely National Horticulture Mission and Horticulture Technology Mission for North Eastern and Himalayan States, are being implemented in the country wherein assistance is provided to the farmers for quality planting material/seeds of elite cultivars, adoption of new technologies, integrated pest and disease management, integrated nutrient management and farm mechanization alongwith technical guidance for quality seed production to the growers through extension programmes, which help in enhancement of area, production and productivity of Horticulture crops including onion. Apart from above, assistance is also provided for area expansion of vegetable crops/spices including onion.